

# FORT BEND COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Abstract:

### **Della Krause Behrens Mabel Krause Cole**

Mrs. Mabel Krause Cole (born in 1921) and Mrs. Della Krause Behrens (born in 1924) talk about their childhood experiences with their brothers, Dennis, Berry and Garrett. Living first on a farm in the country and then moving to Beasley, they discuss their neighbors, relatives and experiences such as churning butter, crossing Gruenewald's pasture with a billy goat and when the school meanie put some ants down the back of Mabel's dress.

## **Interview Summary**

### **People**

Bill (the mailman)

Roy (future husband)

Aunt Helen (aka Tante Lena)

Aunt Lona

Aunt Martha

Alvina Lydia Krause (mother)

Mr. Boone (teacher)

Mr. Stern (owner of bull)

Lydie Muehlbrad (hair permanent in Houston)

Mr. and Mrs. Boone (shampooed hair)

Uncle Emil

Ester and Otto Kurtz

Hickman (neighbor's pasture with flowers)

Albright (neighbor in Beasley)

Kashmere (neighbor in Beasley)

Ralph Walker (school meanie)

### **Places / Businesses**

Beasley

Will Hopmann (barn for butchering)

### **Events**

Garrett ate ExLax

Lost shoes in hay bale

Dennis driving to Beasley in the ditch

Hurricane of 1932

Aunt Martha and Uncle Ernst's 25th wedding anniversary

Gruenewald's pasture with a billy goat